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Irregularities under MGNREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of alleged irregularities/corruption cases including misutilization and diversion of funds under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme(MGNREGS) have come to the notice of the Government;

(b) if so, the nature-wise details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra and Uttarakhand;

(c) whether the beneficiaries under MGNREGS are reportedly not getting wages timely and as per the prescribed rates, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government against the culprits,State/UT-wise; and

(d) the remedial steps taken by the Government for effective implementation of MGNREGS?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a)& (b): The Ministry, under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) receives complaints of irregularities/corruption including misutilization and diversion of funds etc. in many State/UTs. Nature-wise details of complaints of States/UTs including Maharashtra and Uttarakhand is at Annexure-I.

(c): The wages under MGNREGA are paid on a piece rate basis and not on attendance basis. The declared wage rate is used to fix the unit rates for each type of work. The actual wage payable is calculated based on the output of the worker. The 410 representations relating to less/non-payment of wages have been received in the Ministry as on 21.07.2015, have been sent to the concerned State Governments for appropriate action keeping in view the above principle.

(d): The major steps taken by the Government to improve the programme implementation under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) are given in the Annexure-II.

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